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TOTAL CLAIMS	59	MINUS	59	= 0	X \$18	\$ 0
INDEP. CLAIMS	5	MINUS	5	= 0	X \$86	\$ 0
[] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					+ \$290	\$ 0
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OTHER FEES						\$
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$ 0

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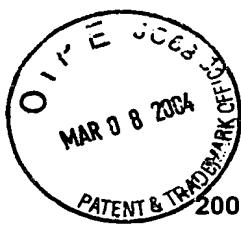
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to an initial Office Action on the merits, please amend the above-identified
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IN THE DRAWINGS:

Please add Fig. 7, which is appended hereto, to the above-identified patent application.